

PROCEEDINGS of CONVENTION.

1776.

A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messrs Barnes, Fenwick, Plater, Grahame,	J. Hall, Worthington, S. Chafe, Paca,	Carroll, J. Wilson, Earle, T. Smyth,	T. Wright, Edmondson, Mason, Dickinson,	Johnson, Gustavus Scott, George Scott, Horsey,	Chaille, Bishop, Mitchell.
N E G A T I V E.					
Messrs Dent, Parnham, B. Mackall, Fitzhugh, J. Mackall, Bowie,	Marbury, Hammond, Bayly, Williams, Fischer,	Edelen, Shriver, Beall, Stull, Ridgely,	Deye, Stevenson, J. Smith, J. T. Chafe, Bond,	Love, Archer, Gilpin, Ewing, D. Smith,	Brevard, Kent, Bruff, S. Wright, Gibson.

On motion of Mr. Earle, the question was put, That the words "by ballot" be inserted in the second article instead of the words "*viva voce*?" Carried in the negative.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

Convention met.

In progression on reading the form of government, on motion of Mr. J. Hall, the question was put, That the following be an addition to the fourth article; "but the inhabitants of the said city shall not be entitled to vote for delegates for Anne-Arundel county, unless they have a freehold of fifty acres of land in the county distinct from the city?" Resolved in the affirmative.

A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messrs Fenwick, Dent, Parnham, Fitzhugh, J. Mackall, Bowie,	Hammond, J. Hall, J. Wilson, Williams, Shriver, Beall,	Stull, Ridgely, Deye, Stevenson, Bond,	Love, Archer, Gilpin, D. Smith, Brevard,	Earle, Kent, S. Wright, Edmondson, Gibson,	Dickinson, George Scott, Horsey, Chaille, Mitchell.
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Messrs Barnes, Plater, B. Mackall, Grahame,	B. Hall, Sprigg, Marbury, Worthington,	S. Chafe, Paca, Carroll, Bayly,	Fischer, Edelen, J. Smith, J. T. Chafe,	Ewing, T. Smyth, Bruff,	Mason, Johnson, Gustavus Scott.

On motion of Mr. J. T. Chafe, That the following be inserted as an addition to the fifth article; "but if the said inhabitants of the town shall so decrease, as that the number of persons having right of suffrage therein shall have been, for the space of seven years successively, less than one half of the number of voters in some one county in this state, such town thenceforward shall cease to send two delegates or representatives to the house of delegates, until the said town shall have one half of the number of voters in some one county in this state. And in case the inhabitants of the said town shall so increase, as that the number of persons having right of suffrage therein shall be equal to the number of voters in any one county in this state, that then the said town shall send four representatives to the house of delegates." It was moved and agreed, that the proposition consisting of two parts should be separated. The question was then put on the first part, which follows in these words; "but if the said inhabitants of the town shall so decrease, as that the number of persons having right of suffrage therein shall have been, for the space of seven years successively, less than one half of the number of voters in some one county in this state, such town thenceforward shall cease to send two delegates or representatives to the house of delegates, until the said town shall have one half of the number of voters in some one county in this state," and resolved in the affirmative.

An amendment was then proposed to the latter part, to insert the words "the largest" instead of the words "any one;" upon which amendment the question was put and resolved in the affirmative.

The question was then put on the latter part so amended, and carried in the negative.

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Messrs Dent, Grahame, Hammond,	J. Wilson, Shriver, Ridgely,	Deye, Stevenson,	J. Smith, Archer,	Gilpin, Ewing,	Brevard, Johnson.
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Messrs Barnes, Fenwick, Plater, B. Mackall, Fitzhugh, J. Mackall, Bowie,	B. Hall, Sprigg, Marbury, J. Hall, Worthington, S. Chafe,	Carroll, Bayly, Williams, Edelen, Beall, Stull,	Bond, Love, D. Smith, Earle, T. Smyth, T. Wright,	Kent, Bruff, S. Wright, Edmondson, Gibson, Dickinson,	Gustavus Scott, George Scott, Horsey, Chaille, Bishop, Mitchell.

In progression on reading the form of government, the question was put, That the 18th article thereof be concurred with? Carried in the negative.

On motion of Mr. S. Chafe, the question was put, That the words "or affirmation," in the 26th article, be struck out? Resolved in the affirmative.

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Messrs Barnes, Fenwick, Dent, Parnham, Grahame,	B. Hall, Sprigg, Marbury, S. Chafe, Paca,	Carroll, J. Smith, J. T. Chafe, D. Smith,	Earle, T. Wright, Kent, Bruff,	Mason, Dickinson, Johnson, Gustavus Scott,	George Scott, Horsey, Chaille, Mitchell.
N E G A T I V E.					
Messrs Hammond, J. Wilson, Bayly, Williams,	Fischer, Edelen, Shriver, Beall,	Stull, Ridgely, Deye, Stevenson,	Bond, Love, Archer, Gilpin,	Ewing, Brevard, T. Smyth,	S. Wright, Edmondson, Gibson,

Convention adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

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